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SOLDIERS IN BEGGARY SHAME THE REPUBLIC

The case of the veteran of the American expeditionary forces who was committed to the house of correction because he had no alternative but to walk the streets was not exceptional, but typical, according to the report that comes from the bureau of legal aid at the city hall.

The men who are appealing for aid are not tramps or loafers parading the community. They served their country well abroad, and they came back to find their services unmarketable. In many instances their places had been filled by other men who could not suddenly be dislodged to make room for them. Moreover, the effort to re-establish thousands simultaneously in their old lines of employment has resulted in a congestion of all avenues of approach to the position formerly held.

It is the man who was glorified in uniform to be blamed if sometimes he feels tormented at the difference now when he has gone from khaki to multi. He would rather be sure of three meals a day than wear a mesh. It is by virtue of war service he was established in the affections of his compatriots. He is glad, but now that the war is history he seeks also to be established in a bread-winning vocation. It surely was not fair to ship and talk so much about the "welcome" they would get when they came back and then leave them forgotten. Philadelphia Public Ledger.

SUMMED UP

Jerome K. Jerome, although an Englishman, does not hesitate to place a harsh estimate on President Wilson's league of nations. He says: "The league of nations is dead. Long live the league of nations. So speaks Harding, president-elect of the United States. And so, with him, every lover of peace and hater of hate."

Sadden with hereditary disease, with worm-eaten body and painted face, it sits propped up in the chair of state at the council table of Geneva. The blinds are drawn, the doors fast locked. The grinning "diplomats" of a dying world play out their solemn farce.

The league of the three nations—the league of England, France and Japan for the spoiling of the earth—is dead. That brainless brat born amid the abominations of Versailles.

That's putting the matter pretty strong, but it is putting it faithfully and truthfully. "The evil thing with a holy name" is exactly what Jerome declares it and far from being a promoter of peace is a promoter of war. If ever we have a league of nations that will operate successfully and in the interest of mankind it must be one which includes all nations and in whose councils the voice of the humblest is as potential as the voice of the mightiest power on earth. Possibly such an association is idealistic, but certainly it is as practical and a great deal nearer the "heart of the world" than the miserable thing produced amid the rancorous hate, the bitter partisanship and diplomatic scheming of the peace conference where President Wilson was so artistically rimmed and bunceed.

THE ULTIMATE BULWARK

Quoting the words of a December periodical, that "The great recurrent calamity known as a session of congress is now upon us, we say: 'Thus within the circulation of that periodical, very limited, let us hope, is spread a false doctrine that leads to unrest and that constitutes a near approach to sedition.'"

Let us see what the statement above quoted means. If a session of congress is a recurrent calamity, then the constitution specifically provides for the bringing on of a calamity every year. No one has ever seriously proposed to amend the constitution in such a way as to abolish congress, or discontinue its sessions; therefore, since congress has the support of the people in general, it is actually charged that the people tacitly approve an annual return of a calamity. The statement above quoted is not merely an indictment of congress—it is an indictment of the entire American people. It may not be technically sedition, but it is calculated to create

any distrust of that branch of the government, which is set first in the constitution and which is vested with the greatest powers. A legislative branch with representative character, chosen by the people as a fundamental essential of a republican form of government. The states might think the annual session of congress a calamity is, therefore, an attack upon our form of government.

This analysis of the statement quoted is enough to demonstrate its vicious character, and the article merits no further attention. It may be just as well, however, to reveal a few facts in the present record of congress in order to demonstrate whether or not a session of that body is a national calamity.

Following the war, the executive departments asked for certain appropriations from public funds for expenditure by themselves. It follows that if they had been vested with the power, they would have appropriated the money, levied the taxes upon the people, and collected the same by force of arms if necessary. But the constitution requires that congress make appropriations and levy taxes. Congress cut two and a half billion dollars out of the demands for funds and saved the people that amount of expenditure. One name the executive departments have renewed their excessive demands, and congress is now engaged in cutting down the demands. It is too early to predict what the saving will be, but quite likely it will approach a billion dollars. Is it a calamity to have congress save the taxpayers three and a half billion dollars?

After confusion of the war, the executive departments desired to retain their extraordinary war powers so that they could continue an emergency in peace as they had in war. Congress has insisted that what was practically military control over the civilian activities of the people shall end. Is it a calamity to have congress do that? During the war congress alone stood between the people and an absolute monarchy. Is it a calamity to have congress do that?

Following the resumption of peace, under the armistice, congress made appropriations for an army very limited in size but adequate for the condition of world affairs. Instead of observing this limit, Secretary of War Baker recruited an army far in excess of the number specified, and incurred a deficit which the nation must pay. Was it a calamity to have congress try to protect the taxpayers from needless expense for military establishments?

Go on through the record of congress and you will find that it has fully justified the judgment of the founders of this government who looked upon a representative body of legislators as the ultimate bulwark of American liberty.

WOE TO WOMEN

Overseer Volva of the Zion City cult not far from Chicago, announced he would slap women, caught lowering their noses and also coming to the tabernacle in gowns decorated both at the top and nether end.

Doubtless, the overseer was speaking rhetorically, for if he undertook to enforce his slapping decree the Illinois militia would probably be required to suppress the rioting.

BLUE SKY SUNDAY

When Sunday morn you rise, Do not laugh, take care Observe the Sabbath day. It is sinful, modern saints declare.

If your infant, grown-up, or wife To enjoy themselves have a desire, Warn them with utmost care. To break the Sabbath they should not dare.

If after breakfast ma should suggest To have pa crank Lizzie post, And take the bunch for a spin, Pa would retort: "No, it's a sin."

If during lunch at the table, Johnnie forget, and his lips would smack, His father, with a serious mien, Would rebuke him there and then.

If after dinner Jess would say, "Ma, shall we go to the movies today?" The negative answer father would

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MORE NEW FACES IN BALL LINE-UP

(By Associated Press)
 OAKLAND, Cal., Jan. 26.—More new faces will be seen in Pacific Coast Baseball league line-ups this year than during any season in five years, according to reports received here. Every club on the circuit will have new players.

This year will also find two new league managers. William Kenworthy of the Seattle club and Clifford Cravath of Seattle.

Portland's club, which is to be rebuilt, probably will present more new players than any other. Reports from the north say Manager Walter McLeod is planning on men who were not in the 1920 squad. Salt Lake also will be partly rebuilt, the sale of Sweeney and Johnson in the Chicago White Sox having left a hole in the club's lineup.

On the other teams probably from three to six new players will appear. Oakland is after infielders and a couple of right-handed pitchers. Seattle expects two or three infielders and pitchers. The Sacramento squad will not show many changes, although Manager Bill Doherty expects to have a new infielder and pitcher. San Francisco and Vernon are in the same position of needing infielders and pitchers. Los Angeles has acquired two outfielders and needs a catcher and a pitcher.

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NEW AERIAL PATH NATIONAL FOREST

(By Associated Press)

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In all, five air squadrons and 1000 men will form the complement of Mather field under plans announced unofficially. The field, it is believed, soon will be the largest air service training station in the western department of the army.

A forest ranger school, intended to bring better co-operation with the army aviators, is being conducted at the field. To the same end, a meeting of forest supervisors of California, with representatives of several western states and from Washington, D. C., will be held January 29.

Improvements to care for the added personnel at the air field are expected to consist of 24 sets of permanent quarters for married officers.

Merchants' lunch at the Mispah, 50c. 13-14
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CHARITY PARTY-DANCE

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